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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 09/689,017

Our Docket F-152

With reference to the above-captioned case, enclosed please find the Notice of Appeal.

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Title:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING ROBUST INDICIA FOR

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Mail Stop Appeal Brief - Patents Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria. VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated December 22, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-15.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(b), the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is \$330.00.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1885.

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